

## **Benefits of Certification**

- ➤ A certification program will provide more credibility for environmental educators.
- ➤ A certification program will help expand the content knowledge of environmental educators across the state.
- A certification program will insure that environmental educators who graduate from the program have a shared set of skills, knowledge and values related to teaching about the environment.
- A certification program will help nonformal educators learn how to work most effectively with teachers and students by aligning their programs and goals with those of KERA.
- ➤ A certification program will help teachers and other citizens understand that environmental educators provide the most balanced and factual information possible, thus gaining further credibility for the field.
- ➤ A certification program helps applicants become familiar with other environmental educators and programs across the Commonwealth.
- For environmental educators who work with adults, the certification program will help expand their knowledge of instructional techniques that are effective with adult learners.